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Regular Session Meeting  
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Mr. Katseff reminded the committee that negotiations for 3 unions will begin after the first of the year.

**Agenda Item #10a, Vote to Approve Book Reconsideration:**

Dr. Montagano briefly reviewed the parent book reconsideration request of the Hunger Games. Mrs. Pincince chaired the "Book Reconsideration" committee that carefully reviewed this request. The committee recommended that the book not be available in elementary school libraries, but that the book remain in the middle school libraries and on the eighth grade reading list.

It was moved by Mr. Newman, seconded by Mrs. Lorenz, and **VOTED** to approve the book reconsideration recommendation as presented.

**VOTE ~ AYE ~ UNANIMOUS**

**Agenda Item #10b, Vote to Approve Donation Requests:**

It was moved by Mr. Hebda, seconded by Mrs. Lorenz, and **VOTED** to accept a grant/donation from First Books to the Palmer River Elementary School to provide 2<sup>nd</sup> graders with the book Elephant and Piggie (approximate value \$675.00).

**VOTE ~ AYE ~ UNANIMOUS**

It was moved by Mr. Hebda, seconded by Mrs. Lorenz, and **VOTED** to approve the donation of a used wrestling mat for the DRRHS wrestling team from Sharon High School (approximate value \$2,000.00).

**VOTE ~ AYE ~ UNANIMOUS**

Mr. Newman addressed the committee regarding the process for estimating the value of a donation.

It was moved by Mr. Hebda, seconded by Mrs. Lorenz, and **VOTED** to approve a monetary donation of \$650.00 from the Rehoboth Culture Council to the Beckwith Middle School to be used for a Grade 6 field trip.

**VOTE ~ AYE ~ UNANIMOUS**

It was moved by Mr. Hebda, seconded by Mrs. Lorenz, and **VOTED** to approve a monetary donation of \$39.13 from Abibow Recycling, Inc. to the Beckwith Middle School.

**VOTE ~ AYE ~ UNANIMOUS**

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*December 14, 2011*

*Dear*

*Thank you for sharing your concern regarding the novel The Hunger Games.*

*In accordance with School Committee policies IJL, KEC, and KEC-R, the book was reviewed by the Reconsideration Committee. After the Superintendent's recommendation as well as consideration and a vote by the Dighton~Rehoboth Regional School Committee on December 13, 2011, it was determined that the book will not be in the elementary school libraries. However, the book will remain in the middle school libraries and on the eighth grade reading list.*

*Sincerely,*

*Kathleen A. Montagano, Ed.D.  
Superintendent of Schools*

*KAM/kapf*

*cc: Debra Pincince, Beckwith Middle School Principal  
Linda McSweeney, Palmer River Elementary School Principal  
Michael Cichon, Dighton Middle School Principal  
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